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MAMMOTH BLACKBERRIES ARE THE FAVORITES , WITH THE TRADE

THE MAMMOTH BLACKBERRY

The Mammoth Blackberry is the result of a cross between the Texas Early (Rubus Villosus) and the California Dewberry (Rubus Ursinus) secured by Judge J. H. Logan in 1881.

It is all that its name implies, both as to canes and fruit. A single plant has been known to have as much as 175 feet of bearing cane and will cover the side of an ordinary sized dwelling. The canes start growth early in the Spring and after reaching a height of six or seven feet take the trailing habit and should be trellised. They make a prodigious growth and have luxuriant foliage. The canes can be pruned to suit.

In size of fruit no other blackberry approaches it. Berries are frequently found measuring 2 1-2 inches long. For cooking purposes the fruit fulfills all the desired qualities of other blackberries, and as a fresh fruit is generally preferable, owing to large size and having more pulp and less core.

The fruit always finds a ready market and in competition with other blackberries obtains fancy prices. For a garden it is best to train the vines on a six or seven foot trellis and this method can be followed in in commercial planting if desired but a less expensive way is to plant about ten feet apart in rows eight feet apart and trellis like grapes or Loganberries.

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